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Docket No.: LIPPERT

In re Application of:)
ROLAND LIPPERT et al.)
Appl. No.: 09/719,759)
Filed: December 14, 2000)
For: MULTIPLE-ROW RADIAL BEARING)
) Group Art Unit: 3682

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on March 2, 2001 . (Date)	
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references A) to I) which were cited in the International Search Report issued by the European Patent Office with regard to the corresponding international patent application No. PCT/EP98/08367 and references J) to S) which were cited in the German Search Report issued by the

German Patent Office with regard to the corresponding German patent application No. 198 27 859.4 and reference T) which has been discussed in the instant specification, filed on December 14, 2000. Reference A) and B) were also cited in the German Search Report. Applicant does not admit that any of the cited documents constitutes prior art against the pending application.

	Country:	Patent or Appl. No:	Patentee or Applicant:	Issue or Filing Date:
A)	Germany	DE 27 45 842 A	Schaeffler	04-19-79
B)	USA	US 2 334 227 A	R. F. Stallman	11-16-43
C)	USA	US 4 558 962 A	Meinlschmidt	12-17-85
D)	USA	US 1 995 571 A	Lott	03-26-35
E)	France	FR 1 357 456 A	Schaeffler	04-03-64
F)	USA	US 5 332 318 A	Chiba	07-26-94
G)	USA	1 970 449 A	H. R. Gibbons et al.	08-14-34
H)	France	FR 2 246 766 A	SKF	05-02-75
I)	Germany	DE 10 66 814 B	Schaeffler	10-08-59
J)	Germany	DE-PS 9 36 306	R. Kling Wetzlar	12-07-55
K)	Germany	DE 39 29 677 A1	SKF GmbH	03-14-91
L)	Germany	DE 88 03 124 U1	Ludwig Alfons	06-01-88
M)	USA	US 2 747 949	R. J. Smith	05-29-56
N)	USA	US 2 368 175	R. T. Stanley	01-30-45
O)	USA	US 1 907 421	H. R. Gibbons	05-02-33
P)	Germany	DE-AS 10 62 501	Kurt Wissmann	07-30-59
Q)	Germany	DE 84 26 143 U1	Jacob Werner	04-11-85
R)	USA	US 2 447 928	A. L. Bergstorm	08-24-48
S)	Gänsheimer, J.: Gleitlacke in der Tribotechnik, 1984			
T)	M. Albert/H. Kötttrisch "Wälzlager" [<i>Rolling-Contact Bearing</i>], 1987			

Copies of these references are submitted herewith along with form PTO-1449. The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record.

☒ This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the issuance of a first Office Action so that no fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 is due.

☐ This Information Disclosure Statement is filed after the issuance of a first office but before issuance of a final action under §1.113, or a notice of allowance under §1.311.

☐ This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted after the mailing of a final action or a notice of allowance, but before payment of the issue fee. Accordingly, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), the undersigned submits the following certification and petition requesting consideration of this statement:

The undersigned hereby certifies:

☐ that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement;

☐ that no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing the statement after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in §1.56© more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

- ☐ The undersigned hereby petitions that the Examiner consider the information cited in this Statement.
- ☐ Enclosed, please also find a check for the amount of \$180.00 to cover the fee for filing the above Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ Enclosed, please also find a check for the amount of \$130.00 to cover the petition fee set forth in §1.17(i).
- ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the appropriate fee of 180.00 to cover the fee for filing the above Information Disclosure Statement, and any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0502.
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In order to satisfy the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3) for a concise explanation of the relevance of each item of information, applicant herewith submits a copy of the International and German Search Report together with a translation of the relevant pages thereof.

The above-identified application discloses and claims an invention patentable over this prior art.

Entry of the references above set forth into the file of the above application is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0502.

Respectfully submitted

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